Grid Solutions



Controlled Switching of Power Transformers

Challenges

Connecting and disconnecting intermittent power sources such as wind or solar farms, pumped storage, or gas power plants from the grid may generate switching transients. These transients can cause electrical stresses on critical substation equipment, such as power transformers, and can introduce power quality issues, such as high inrush currents and voltage dips into the system.

Safe Connection of Transformers to the Grid

Grid Solutions' CSD100 is an advanced point-on-wave controller that enables the mitigation of potentially harmful transients that result from switching operations. The CSD100 works by matching source flux to a transformer's residual flux in order to efficiently switch and connect the transformer to the grid. This active management ensures inrush currents and voltage dips are minimized, thereby improving power quality and extending transformer life.

The CSD100 learns as it operates. With active recording of voltage signals and other key electrical parameters during switching events, the CSD100 automatically calculates residual magnetic flux in the transformer's core and dynamically adjusts control operations for a low-flux grading, ensuring lower inrush currents.

Opening (controlled or not) Residual flux management Controlled energization Lower inrush current Lower voltage Lower mechanical dip and distortion stresses transformer power quality lifespan

CSD100 operation cycle

Securing Your Primary Equipment

- With extensive data acquisition and storage capabilities, the CSD100 allows for
 extensive monitoring and improved switching to protect equipment. Together with its
 digital communication abilities, the CSD100 plays a key role in your asset performance
 management (APM) strategy.
- · CSD100's design simplifies substation integration and commissioning.
- Built-in cybersecurity features in line with the latest NERC, IEC, and IEEE standards ensure a high security level.

GE VERNOVA

Safe Connectivity of Intermittent Generation

- · Voltage dip reduction
- · Inrush current mitigation
- · Transformer stress limitation

Advanced Communications

- IEC 61850-8-1
- Simplified integration into digital substations and associated secondary systems
- Secure, web-based HMI for situational awareness and simplified operational management

Reliable and Versatile

- Switching performance evaluation
- · High-speed transient recorder
- Multiple load switching feature
- · Assisted commissioning mode
- Flexible mounting options (DIN Rail or 19" bay mounting)

Grid Solutions' Advantage

- Expert solution from a high-voltage original equipment manufacturer combining circuit breaker and controlled switching device
- Long-lasting experience: fourth generation of point-on wave controllers

Switching Transients Mitigation

LOAD	OPERATION	PRIMARY GOAL	MITIGATION PRINCIPLE
Power transfomers in no-load condition	Controlled opening	Minimize residual flux	Switching-out at voltage peak
	Uncontrollable opening (e.g. protection trip)	Assess residual flux	
	Controlled closing	Reduce inrush current Limit voltage dip	Closing when prospective flux equals residual flux

Self-Adaptation for High Accuracy

To provide and maintain switching accuracy, the CSD100 takes key circuit breaker condition data into consideration, including ambient temperature, DC control voltage, driving pressure of hydraulic mechanisms, circuit breaker idle time, long-term operation time drift, and more.

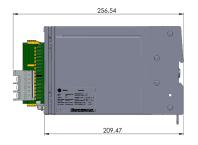
General Ratings

DESCRIPTION	VALUE	
Weight	5.8 kg (12.8 lbs) with rack mounting brackets	
Operation temperature range	-40°C to +55°C (continuous) / -40°C to + 70°C (16h)	
Enclosure class	IP5x	
Product electrical safety	IEC 60950-1; IEC 60255-27	
EMC compilance	IEC 61000-6-5; IEC 60255-26; EN 55032	
Power consumption	< 30 W	
Switching time resolution	< 0.01 ms	
Transient data acquisition	40 kHz	
Input transducer interfaces	4 × 4-20 mA, 24 V, 2 or 3 wires	
Digital communication interface	100 Mbits/s/ and/or 1 Gbit/s SFP transceiver x 4 (RJ45 × 2 / LC optic fiber x 2)	
Alarm signaling	2 relays available for signaling urgent and non-urgent alarms	
LEDs signaling	6 LEDs available to deliver status of the controller (power supply, ready to operate)	
Switching performance evaluation	Accuracy of the controlled closing and controlled opening operations, within the required tolerance	
Counter	Number of controlled and random operations	

Dimensions

Example for DIN rail mounting (installation in low-voltage cabinet of the circuit breaker).





Other mounting possibility: 19" rack front panel Optional: Local HMI upon request

For more information, visit **gevernova.com/grid-solutions**

IEC is a registered trademark of Commission Electrotechnique Internationale. IEEE is a registered trademark of the Institute of Electrical Electronics Engineers, Inc.

Modbus is a registered trademark of Schneider Automation.

GE Vernova reserves the right to make changes to specifications of products described at any time without notice and without obligation to notify any person of such changes.

© 2025 GE Vernova and/or its affiliates. All rights reserved. GE and the GE Monogram are trademarks of General Electric Company used under trademark license.

